

CLEAN WATER BEGINS AT HOME.

Many pollutants around our homes are washed down the storm drains directly into our waterways. The same waterways our children swim in and explore.

HELPFUL INFORMATION **NUMBERS**

Questions about Stormwater Utility Charges 265-1300

Report Illegal Discharges to Storm Sewer

Storm Sewer Issues 268-4090

Recycling Questions 660-7200



TAKING CARE OF YOUR HOME, HELPS TAKE CARE OF MINE.

Here are a few things you can do to make sure both our homes stay clean and tidy.

- Turn your yard waste into compost or mulch for your garden.
- Use proper dosage when treating your lawn and avoid overwatering to prevent runoff.
- Mow grass without a lawnmower bag and leave clippings to naturally decompose.
 Don't worry, this will not produce thatch.
- Plant in bare spots in your yard, it looks better and helps prevent runoff and erosion.
- Dispose of used fluids properly when working on your car.
- Pick up pet waste and dispose of it properly through your garbage service.
 If you've got a garden shovel and plastic baggie, you've already got what it takes to take care of the lawn bombs hiding in the grass.



HOW BAD CAN IT BE? LET ME TELL YOU!





- Many household products can poison fish and other water animals. Please dispose of them properly, for my sake.
- Pet waste is a major contributor to harmful bacteria that makes activities like swimming, boating and fishing unsafe.
 It can also cause diseases in humans and other animals.
- Sediment destroys living habitats making it difficult for plants to grow, while also creating more problems with cloudy water and erosion.
- Fertilizer and lawn clippings can create unsightly algae that are harmful to water animals.
- Debris such as plastics, bottles, and cigarette butts can injure and sometimes kill fish and other wildlife...like me!